EDWARD OPENS OLYMPIC MEET

ENGLAND'S KING AND OTHER ROYALTIES REVIEW PARADE.

Two Americans, Sheppard and Sullivan Win Their Heats in 1,500 Meters Runs -Former Makes Record and Holds It Until Next Trial-Dismal Rainy Day.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN LONDON, July 13 .- Before King Edward and other royalties the Olympic games were begun at the great Stadium at Shepbord's Bush this afternoon. After a night and morning of terrific rain the weather cleared to a dull gray afternoon and a number of preliminary heats were run off.

The trials of the 1,500 metres originally were scheduled for Tuesday morning, but it was decided to run them off to-day in order that the 30,000 spectators should have something to look at in the line of a contest. There were eight heats, the winners only to start in the final, and this meant eight races of nearly a mile, one on top of the other, a happening unparalleled in ath-

The first heat went to an American, J. P. Sullivan of the Irish A. A. C., who came home in 4 minutes 7 3-5 seconds, with James D. Lightbody of the University of Chicago a close second. In the second heat the American spectators were aroused by the race between M. W. Sheppard of the Irish A. A. C. and J. P. Halstead of the New York A. C. The former won in & minutes 5 seconds, which was for the time a new Olympic record, beating that made by Lightbody at St. Louis in 1904 by two-fifths of a second. Sheppard's triumph was short lived, however, for in the next heat N. F. Hallows of the United Kingdom won in 4 minutes \$ 2-5 seconds. This was the fastest heat, and the mark will stand as an Olymplo record unless beaten in the final to-morrow. The United Kingdom qualified five men, the United States two and Canada one. 1,500 Meter Race (1,639.5 yards): •

First Heat-Won by J. P. Sullivan, United States; James D. Lightbody, United States, second. Time, 4 minutes 7 3-5 seconds. Second Heat-Won by M. W. Sheppard, United States; J. P. Halstead, United States,

second. Time, 4 minutes 5 seconds. Third Heat-Won by W. F. Hallows, United Kingdom; Lungha, Italy, second. Time, 4 minutes 3 2-5 seconds. Fourth Heat-Won by Londy, United

Kingdom; H. L. Coe, United States, second. Time, 4 minutes 8 2-5 seconds. Fifth Heat-Won by Tait, Canada; Nady,

Hungary, second. Time, 4 minutes 12 1-5

Sixth Heat-Won by J. E. Deakin, United Kingdom; Brevnek, Germany, second. Time, 4 minutes 13 3-5 seconds. Seventh Heat-Won by H. A. Wilson, United Kingdom; Bouin, France, second.

Time, 4 minutes 11 2-5 seconds. Eighth Heat-Won by I. F. Crawford, United Kingdom; Dahl, Sweden, second.

Time, 4 minutes 9 2-5 seconds. Three heats of the 400 meter swimming ompetition were decided following the two heats of the 1,500 meter run. England won the first two heats easily, Battersby and Foster taking the two heats, while Tartakover of Australia, won the third heat. The best time was 5 minutes 48 seconds The 2,000 meter tandem bicycle race

went as follows: First Heat-Brooks and Isaacs, United Kingdom. Second Heat-Hamlin and Johnson,

Tuird Heat-Goetze and Gotzke, Ger-Fourth Heat-Paton and Coeckelberg,

Fifth Heat-Schilles and Auffray, France. Sixth Heat-Lapize and Bonnet, France.

eventh Heat-Matthews and Meredith. United Kingdom. Best time, 2 minutes 25

It was nearly 3 o'clock when the rain ceased falling. This was the hour set for the opening ceremonies. The sky was dull and gray and a faint mist hung numb and cold, obscuring the outlines of things. But the track had drained off a little, and the track authorities thought that perhaps a few races could be run on it without particular difficulty.

The occupants of the royal pavilion took their places early, even before many of the spectators in the great eval of seats had reached their places. The royalties entered their various boxes to the strains of "God Save the King." On the reviewing stands sat King Edward of England, King George of Greece, King Haakon of Nor-way and Crown Prince Gustaf Adolf of

way and Crown Prince Gustaf Adolf of Sweden, together with other royalties. King Edward soon rose from his place in the centre of the pavilion, and said impressively: "I declare the Olympic Games of London opened." Prolonged cheering followed the King's announce-ment.

ment.

When the cheering subsided the royal standard was run up in the centre of the stadium, and at this signal the competitors of all the nations filed into the central area from their quarters beneath the seats and took their places, each delegation beneath its national flag. In the midst of the group of English speaking mations the athletes of the United Kingdom and of the United States stood side by and of the United States stood side by

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Then came the most impressive sight of the afternoon. To the sound of the drum the 1,500 or more picked athletes of the nations marched around the stadium, Austria leading the way. The non-English speaking nations were marshalled alphabetically, with the Erglish speaking nations bringing up the rear. To the representatives of the United States a compliment was paid by marshalling them at the head of the latter group.

Ralph Rose, the giant shot putter of the Olympic Athletic Club of San Francisco, was at the head of the little body of Americans, carrying the Stars and Stripes. The athletes of the United Kingdom brought up the rear of the procession. The track and field athletes, dressed in natty running clothes, attracted much attention and perhaps looked the smartest of all the groups, although this honor might be disputed by the Danish women, clad in short white divided skirts with white blouses and fawn colored stockings. The latter were welcomed by each successive section of the stadium spectators with loud cheers.

These hundreds of magnificent athletes, elad in the uniform calculated to show to the best advantage their muscular development and litheness, made a splendid spectacle. It was the cause of general regret and comment, especially among the Americans in the seats, that the American contingent alone of all the various delegations made no attempt at uniform. They marched in ordinary suits, some in light

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As each contingent passed the royal box the standard bearer dipped the flag of his country and his followers saluted, some in military fashion, some merely removing their hats after the American custom.

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No delegation received more hearty cheers than a little group of fine, broad chested men who came marching without a flag. They were the representatives of Finland. Their leader carried a plain placard on which were inscribed in monogram fashion the final "nd" of his country's

heat of the 1,500 meter run. Events then followed one another in quick succession—swimming, running and gymnastic display all proceeding at the same time.

A large body of Americans, massed on the seats over the entrance to the American team's quarters, cheered their victorious countrymen to the echo, waving large.

American flags about their heads and giving American college oheers.

Apart from the duliness of the day and the unfavorableness of the weather, the only drawback to the meeting was the small attendance, especially in the higher priced seats. The two-blocks of cheap seats were well filled, but many thousands of empty seats unrelieved by the presence of a single spectator had a somewhat chilling effect on the proceedings.

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England's proverbially inauspiclous weather was at its worst for the opening of the games to-day. Beginning late yesterday afternoon, the skies poured rain. Not in any mere dismel drizzle, but with an earnestness and enshusiasm which led to the belief that the clouds might themselves be out after an Olympic record of some kind. For this day of the year the rainfall was in fact a record, being the heaviest in more than twenty years. The official statisticians compute the amount at something over 160 tons to the acre for the neighborhood of London.

The stadium looked to-day as if it had been the particular centre of the disturbance. Large pools of water formed in the cinder track and the turf throughout the infield was soggy and heavy. The shallow gutter which runs around the edge of the concrete bisycle track was swelled to overflowing and the water raced madly around the curves, to throw itself over the little embankment into the heart of the adjacent cinder path when opportunity offered. The rain was accompanied by a sudden drop in temperature of nearly 15 degrees.

Thousands of foreigners were in their places also. The Americans, many of them wearing silk flags of their country or with streamers of red, white and blue ribbon at their lapels, were quite distinct from the remainder of the crowd of spectators. London overflows with the crowd of visitors who have come from every corner of the globe for the purpose of witnessing the great Olympic spectacle. From the North of England, where the sporting spirit is notably strong, many thousands of visitors have arrived during the last three days, while from all the country within a radius of 200 miles the influx has been enormous.

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An indication of the crowded state of London is found in the fact that it is next to impossible to obtain motor cars or other sightseeing vehicles, nearly all of which have been booked up for weeks shead by eager pleasure seekers. The hotels are overcrowded, their managers declare, to an unprecedented degree and 40,000 of the late comers will find shelter in boarding houses and private apartments.

The American athletes were somewhat downcast over the decision of the international committee ruling against them in their protest relative to the placing of the pole in the vaulting competition. They believe that this ruling, which compels them to adopt a new method at the last moment, will mean the loss of at least a foot in their distance. Even with this loss, how-

in their distance. Even with this loss, how-ever, they may be able to distance their English competitors, all of whom are 9 and

English competitors, all of whom are 9 and 10 foot men.

The Americans said that they should be allowed to dig a hole for their pole, so as to prevent its slipping in the earth, with the attendant menace of a dangerous fall, and they further requested that the turf on the opposite side of the mark be dug up so as to break their fall. Both these requests the international committee promptly ruled against.

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The committee has also decided against the American protest against the manner of drawings for heats. The Americans pointed out that by the method adopted it might happen that all the athletes of one country would be drawn for the same heat, which would be manifestly unfair, but the committee said that this possibility was very remote and need not be taken into consideration.

N. F. Hallows, a graduate of Oxford University and a member of the London A. C., was two years ago considered to be good for about 4 minutes 20 seconds for the mile. His Olympic record of 4 minutes 3 2-5 seconds, when he beat Sheppard's mark, does not represent his best going, for under favorable conditions he should beat 4 minutes. On public form the fastest man now left for the final is H. A. Wilson of the Hallamshire Harriers, England. In the English tryouts he ran the 1,500 meters in 3 minutes 59 4-5 seconds. These are the fastest known figures for the distance. The time for Wilson's heat was slow—4 minutes 11 2-5 seconds—but perhaps the opposition was seconds—but perhaps the opposition was tame and Wilson was satisfied to win. J. E. Deakin, who won the sixth heat, has run a for the mile.

The winner of the eighth heat, I. F. Fair-bairn-Crawford, is best over the half mile, though he has done fairly well at the mile. His time for the half mile is 1 minute 57 1-5

seconds.

There was some surprise here yesterday afternoon when the news flashed that Sheppard had started and had won a heat, as it was generally understood that he would be reserved for the e00 meters. As the soo meter heats will not be run until Monday next perhaps Sheppard thought he had better have a pipe opener by going in the 1,500 meter event. Tait, the canadian, is a grand, sturdy miler and may figure in the final.

The pole vault arrangement is the same as at the English championships for years. No vaulter ever has been permitted to dig a hole in front of the uprights for his pole, are been given by the pole of the pole o nor has a loose pit been ever dug at the other side of the uprights for the man to

drop into.

Many years ago in the English championships held at Crewe the ground was rightfully hard and the late T. Ray of Ulverston asked that a bed of straw be placed at the other side of the bar. The officials of the games granted the request, and this has been the only case where a concession was made in the way of a plan to soften the jar of the competitor when

alighting.

In the Olympic games at Athens in 1906
the American competitors were allowed
to dig a hole for their poles and there was no
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to dig a hole for their poles and there was no objection. Gonder, the French vaulter, who won, jumped the same as the Americans, using a bamboo pole, which he stuck in the hole at every attempt.

The pole vault is a long way off yet, it being scheduled for July 24, and perhaps long before then the British Olympic committee will have settled the dispute about the avent.

the event.

The programme for to-day is:
Morning—Throwing 16 pound hammer,
trials and final round; 3,500 meter walk,
three trial heats, first, second and third
in each heat to walk in the final.

Afternoon—1,500 meters, final; 3,500
meter walk, final; three mile team race,
trial heats, four teams in one heat, three
in the others, winners of heats only in
the final; fancy diving, trials one and the final; fancy diving, trials one and two; semi-final 400 meter swim.

AMERICANS AT BISLEY.

Shoot Well With Springfield Rifle Against Englishmen With Match Weapons.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN. of the American rifle team, who last week won the Olympic championship in competition with teams from Great Britain, Canada and a number of Continental countries, stayed over at Bisley to-day at the invitation of the Engish team and entered the competitions of the National Rifle Association which began ere this morning.

Americans were entered in three of to-day's events—the competitions for the Waldegrave, Bass and Wimbledon cups. In all of these events they competed with riflemen armed not with service weapons, as is the case in th international team competition, but with

international team competition, but with accurate match weapons. The outcome was therefore watched by experts with the greatest interest, as the contest was regarded as the most severe test possible for the new American Springfield short rifle.

The competition for the Waldegrave cup was won by an Englishman, Woodrow, with a score of 100, the highest possible, but second and third places, with money prizes, both went to Americans, Winder and Hession, with scores of 98 each.

In the competition for the Pass cup Maurice Blood of the English team then with Barnett, both getting a score of 98. In the shoetoff Barnett won.

of 74.

The following is appreciately recorded in the press as an instance of clean American sportsmanship: During the shooting for the Waldegrove cup one of Hession's shots was signalled from the butts as a bullseye. Hession said: "That's wrong; it was an inner." Investigation proved that he was right and his score was correspondingly reduced.

ment Until After Het Weather That He Remain at Poughkeepaie Instead of Matteawan—Meanwhile He'll He Busy.

WHITE PLAINS, July 13.—Harry K. Thaw has gained another point in his fight to keep out of the madhouse, Justice Mills to-day adjourning the final hearing on Thaw's application for a jury trial until the third Monday in September and, at the request of his attorney, Charles Mors-chauser, remanding the prisoner to the Poughkeepsie jail until that date. It is said that both sides agreed on the adjournment rather than fight out the question as to whether Thaw is sane or insane before jury with the mercury at 90.

When the case was called this morning Mr. Morschauser presented a stipulation agreeing to the adjournment signed by A. Russell Peabody, Thaw's attorney of record. There was no date mentioned in the stipulation, so Justice Mills said that if it was agreeable to all parties he would allow the hearing to go over until the third Monday in September, at which time he will hear the argument on the briefs and deolde whether or not to give Thaw a jury trial. This will be after the Justice and District Attorney Jerome have returned from their vacations.

Mr. Morsonauser asked that Thaw be remanded to the Poughkeepsie jail instead of Matteewan. He said that he had accepted the stipulation postponing the hearing with the understanding that there would be no change in the location of the prisoner. Mr. Jerome was not present at the hearing and

change in the location of the prisoner. Mr. Jerome was not present at the hearing and his office was represented by Deputy A. A. Mayper, who told Justice Mills that he did not understand that any such agreement had been made. If there was such an agreement, he said, he was certain that it would have appeared in the stipulation. Mr. Mayper said that the District Attorney's effice would neither object nor consent to the place of confinement.

Mr. Morschauser insisted that there had been an understanding that Thaw was to remain at Poughkeepsie. He called on Thaw to verify it, and the prisoner, addressing the Court for the first time since the beginning of these proceedings, said:

"Mr. Peabody telephoned me that Mr. Jerome had said to him that during the postponement he was willing that I should remain in Poughkeepsie."

Justice Mills at first hesitated to take the responsibility of sending Thaw to the Poughkeepsie jail for so long a term, but when it became apparent that there had been some sort of a gentleman's agreement between the presecution and defence he granted Mr. Morschauser's request.

Thaw was very much pleased at the outcome, as he did not like the idea of giving up his comfortable quarters at the Dutchess county jail. His wife expected to come to the hearing with a party of women friends and seats were reserved for them until Mrs. Thaw telephoned that she would not be present as she was not feeling well.

Among the affidavits submitted by Lawyer Morschauser in behalf of Thaw is one signed by Dr. Sillo, the Thaw family physician, who said that during the prisoner's confinement in the Mattewan State Hospital for the Criminal Insane he had gained in weight and lost decidedly in nervous force and stamins. It is said that Thaw and his lawyers are getting together a large number of such affidavits which they will present to Justice Mills. The prisoner, it is stated to-day, will spend the summer in the Poughkeepsie jail with his lawyers, experts and typewriter preparing testimony and affidavits.

COVERS NEIGHBOR'S WINDOWS. New Rechelle Man Demands Rent of Tele-

phone Company for Light and Air. NEW FOCHELLE, July 13.—Because the fused to pay him an annual rental for light and air Judge Solomon Levison of New Rochelle, who owns adjoining property, has barricaded all of the windows on one side of the telephone exchange of this city with galvanized iron sheets held in place by long beams. The barricade has shut out all the light and air from the east side of the telephone building, which contains the switchboard and bookkeeping departments, and about fifty operators and clerks are working by electric light pending a settlement of the dispute.

the company the property on which it has erected its present building. The building faces Huguenot street, but it backs up against other property which Judge Levison owns on Centre avenue and where he makes his home. The company, he alleges, built up to its boundary line, reserving no space which would insure it light and air. Now Judge Levison wants the corporation to pay him for the light and air it gets from his back yard. Several years ago Judge Levison sold

his back yard.

Judge Levison has also chopped down
the company's poles in front of the property owned by him at 240 Main street and
declares that he will make war on the corporation to a finish. He has retained City
Judge Schleseenger of New Rochelle as
his attorney.

his attorney.

It is learned that the telephone company wanted to give Levison a lump sum for the use of light and air, but he refused it and demanded an annual rental. The company, it is said, will now apply for a court order compelling him to tear down the barricade.

LUGGED SAFE DOWN STAIRS.

Being Skilful and Bold.

Features of a burglary committed on n West Thirty-fourth street were the carry ing down two floors of a 500 pound safe, which stood in plain sight of the street, and its skilful looting of \$600.

The Childs restaurant adjoining the Savoy Theatre was the scene of the burglary. Everything was in order when the manager locked up on Sunday morning. manager locked up on Sunday morning. Early yesterday morning he discovered that the 500 pound safe had been carried from its position near the cashier's deek and in the subcellar two floors below had been broken open. The job was apparently the work of expert cracksmen. They had turned the safe upside down to get at the thinner steel there, sawed through this, drilled through a layer of cement and then through another steel plate to the interior of the safe. The \$600 was taken from the cash box.

The police made up their minds that the men got in by means of a skeleton key. Pasquale Jocalino, who has a key and comes each morning to carry out ashes, said

each morning to carry out ashes, said he had heard some one pounding in the sub-cellar early yesterday morning, but had paid no attention to it. Pasquale was arrested and held in Jefferson Market court pending the clearing up of the burglary.

MRS. GOULD IN AUTO SMASH.

ing Wheels and Taking Shock of Impact. GREENWICH, July 13 .- Mrs. Frank Jay Gould was saved from injury this evening by her chauffeur, who when he saw another automobile coming locked his wheels and et the other car smash the front of the

Gould car.

Mrs. Gould was unhurt and the chauffeur escaped with bruises. She was taken in another auto to her home.

The Gould chauffeur was about to cut across a street to a bridge when a car numbered 54789 N. Y. and said to belong to a New York automobile man named Lilley came around the curve.

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ELDER CONTRADICTS BINGHAM, But the Commissioner Says the Bacetrack Controversy Is Closed.

The Kings county Grand Jury yesterday esumed the investigation of the race rack cases that already have yielded twenty-two indictments. Acting District Attorney Elder, who has the matter in hand, intimates that the hookmakers are

hand, intimates that the hookmakers are not the only ones at fault and that the investigation promises to implicate some important figures in the racing world. The investigation will take up the greater part of August and may run over into September.

Mr. Elder denied that the twenty-two bookmakers who were indicted recently had been arrested without his knowledge and said that Deputy Police Commissioner Baker or Borough Inspector Flood could correct Mr. Bingham's statement to that effect if he chose to do so.

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A rumor, probably growing out of the little difference between the Police Commissioner and the District Attorney, says that the Grand Jury will investigate the charge that the police and the Sheriff have been lax in their duties at the racetrack. Mr. Bingham may be called upon to testify, possibly at his own request.

Gen. Bingham said yesterday that he had received a letter from Mr. Elder. "It was a nice letter," he said. "I don't care to give it out. Mr. Elder can do that if he wishes. But there's nothing more to be said about the matter from this office and the incident is closed."

TORNADO IN ORANGE COUNTY. Houses, Barns and Trees Blown Down

-Fruit Trees and Crops Damaged. MIDDLETOWN, N. Y., July 13 .- A tornado down houses, barns and trees and doing thousands of dollars damage. The full force of the tornado was felt at Pine Island, where the house of Charles Faulkner was blown down and his wife buried in the ruins. Augustus Faulkner, as son, ran out of the house when he felt it going down and clung to a tree. Mrs. Faulkner was found in the cellar of the house with her head in the oven of the kitchen stove. She was severely injured, but will recover.

J. W. Knapp's barn was blown down, Sether's sawmill was blown to pieces, the Borden Milk Company house was blown off its foundations, the Pine Island Hotel was blown off its foundations and turned on its side and nearly every building in the village was damaged. A number of people were bruised, but none was seriously injured. force of the tornado was felt at Pine Island

A freight car on the Erie Railroad was blown a mile along the track. Three hun-dred acres of onions were cut to pieces and the peach trees badly damaged. Telephone and telegraph wires are down and the roads blocked by fallen trees.

They Had Been Washed From a Drifting Raft Off Atlantic City.

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., July 13.-Life Guard Harry Merrick, a young college man, added to his record of rescues this afternoon when a big raft to which six children had waded broke from its moorings at the Inlet end of the beach and started on its way toward the heavy breakers of the Inlet bars. Screams of the youngsters, two of whom were girls, created much excitement, and the rescue of the children was greeted with

the rescue of the children was greeted with hearty cheers.

More than a dozen youngsters were play-ing around the moored raft when the rope broke and allowed it to float into deep water with six aboard. When the raft had reached the swift current setting out toward the bar four of them were washed off into

the bar four of them were washed off into the dangerous water.

Merrick had started through the surf at the first alarm and reached the raft just as the waves were breaking the holds of the last two children clinging to its slippery sides. He lifted the ohldren back to their precarious perch and then carried them two by two to the shore. The raft was recovered later.

ERIE STRUCK BY CLOUDBURST. Five Miles of Track Washed Away Near Rathbone Sunday Night.

BUFFALO, July 13.—All Erie trains entering Buffalo to-day came over the Lackawanna, the five miles of the Erie line near Rathbone being washed away last night in a terrific cloudburst.

The storm broke with great fury. There was almost a deluge and scores of little streams were sent rushing under the rail-road tracks. They carried off rails and ties. Small bridges were washed out, and then with the flood came an avalanche of wet gravel and mud which covered every-

thing.

The railroad was completely paralyzed until after daylight, when one track was dug out and repaired. The other may be ready for traffic to-night. Meanwhile trains were flagged and backed up to a junction point with the Lackawanna. There was great delay of mail and express. The property damage alone to the Erie will amount to more than \$20,000.

Porto Rican regiment, all crack shots, arrived yesterday from San Juan aboard the Red D liner Caracas and will go to Fort. Niagara to take part in the annual prac-tice. The Caracas brought the body of Col. Terence Hansil, chief of police of Porto Rico, who died on July 3. He was formerly an efficer in the Fifth Cavalry and later a Captain in the Porto Rican regiment.



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AMONG THE AUTOMOBILISTS

RECKLESS DRIVING DECREASES IN NEW JERSEY.

Chief Inspector of State Motor Vehicle Department Says Drivers Are Using More Care in Operating Their Cars, as Fewer Complaints Are Made—Gossip

Reckless and fast driving is gradually decreasing in New Jersey, according to Ed-ward Johnson, chief inspector for the State Department of Motor Vehicles. Mr. Johnson visited A. B. Le Massena, secretary of the New Jersey Automobile and Motor Club, who is the Newark agent for Motor Vehicle Commissioner J. B. R. Smith, on a tour of in-spection last week and informed him that comnot being made to the department as freuently as was formerly the case. He said that automobilists are becoming more reason able in their ideas regarding the rate at which they ought to drive their cars and that conditions were steadily improving.

He said that the department was waging war upon chauffeurs who take their employers' cars out without permission. In looking into the causes of automobile accidents he found that most of the accidents have been caused by drivers who were out in their employers' cars without the consent or knowledge of the owner. When it is found that a driver is to blame for an accident the motor vehicle department notifies the owner

motor vehicle law, which was severely criti-cised at the time is was enacted, is meeting with more success than was expected and that automobilists generally are carefully observing its provisions. He said that Commissioner Smith is working in harmony with the automobile clubs of the State to better conditions and to prevent, as far as possible, the lection of fines is the principal reason for their maintenance. Mr. Johnson approves of the action of the New Jersey Automobile and Motor Club in employing motorcyclists to caution drivers of cars against speeding their cars, and believes this plan of dealing with the fast driving problem will eventually eliminate speeding and reckless driving.

The members of the Massachusetts Automobile Club held a meeting at the clubhouse in Boston last week to discuss means of stopping reckless and fast driving throughout the State and in Boston. They decided to appoint a committee to confer with the local municipal authorities of the cities of the State regarding a proper observance of the speed laws. The members voted in favor of a plan to distribute cards to touring automobilists asking them to drive their cars with due regard for the rights of other users of the highways and not to exceed the speed limits of the different localities through which they pass.

A. I. Smith of the New Jersey Automobile and Motor Club returned to his home in Newark last week from a trip of 1,100 miles through New England in his Stoddard-Dayton touring car. Mr. Smith made the journey in seven and one-half days and found the roads to be in very good condition. He was accompanied by J. Edward Howard, John F. Jack, C. M. Morton and A. S. Sutcliffe.

Automobilists of Maryland and Washington are working for the success of a movement started by Congressman J. Fred Talbot for the abolishment of all toll roads in Maryland. Mr. Talbot represents the Second Congress district of Maryland and hopes to secure the support of the Maryland State Road Commission for his project. There are a great many toll gates in Maryland and the motorists hope the project to have the mabolished will be successful.

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The touring committee of the Bay State Automobile Association is working on plans to conduct a sealed bonnet, non-stop contest some time during next September. While no definite announcement has been made regarding the details of the affair the committee has declared its intention of holding a 24 hour endurance run from Beston to Bretton Woods and return. The members of the committee are working on the preparation of rules for the event and the competing cars are to be penalized for all infractions of the conditions. The observers to be appointed must be men who have had at least six months actual experience in the automobile business.

None of the committeemen will make any predictions regarding the rules but it is expected that the conditions under which the contest will be run will make it one of the hardest runs ever conducted in this country. The rules governing most of the scaled bonnet and non-stop contests that have been run in this country are being considered by the committee in the formulating of rules for their event. The contest will be open to both gasolene and steam cars.

The Automobile Club of Wayne county, which is located at Richmond, Ind., has elected the following officers for the coming year: President, W. N. Johnson; vice-president, E. F. McConaha; secretary and treasurer, S. B. Gaines. The club was one of the first motoring organizations formed in the Hoosier State and now has fifty members.

to a list absolutely necessary to have the driving gears of a speed or distance recording instrument which are mounted on one of the road wheels exactly centred on the wheel, otherwise the gears will wear quickly and also be noisy. Very often these gears make a noise that can be heard at some distance. This is because the gear is mounted on the wheel eccentrically in regard to the bearing centre of the wheel, with the result that during part of the revolution the teeth are fully engaged, and during the rest only for the owner to mount these gears, especially if he has no facilities to do so. If the centre cannot be readily found, then the inside of the rim can be used, taking care to have all points on the circumfarence of the sear equidistant from the rim. It requires some patience to set this gear, but it is worth the trouble to get it exact.



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Seiden Car Withdrawn From Contest-Moline Loses Peints. HARRISBURG, Pa., July 13.—The Glidden tourists arrived in Harrisburg this afternoon atter a run over extremely bad roads from Bedford Springs. Six teams came in with perfect scores. The hitherto perfect score teams which fell from the top to-day were the first Rochester team of one Gaeth, one Thomas and one Seldon, and the Syracuse

eam of three Franklins. The Selden car got into trouble with a spring just three miles out of Harrisburg and the Franklin car No. 12 again broke the spring which cost it sixty points on Friday. A similar penalty was imposed to-day, but the penalty for the Selden car has not yet

been fixed. Only six entrants remain with perfect scores in the Hower contest. These are: The two Great Arrows, driven by John Williams scores in the Hower contest. These are: The two Great Arrows, driven by John Williams and Charles Rettner; the Premier, driven by George Weidley: the two Stoddard-Daytons, Nos. 107 and 112, and the Reo, No. 101.

The Moline car, No. 102, was penalized 51 points, and Mrs. Shirley's Overland, No. 108, was penalized 102 points. Mrs. Shirley retired from the contest to-day, assigning as a reason the sickness of her machinist's father. Checking out of Bedford Springsat7 o'clock the cars began a run over 107.3 miles of the roughest roads yet encountered on the tour. It was a veritable mountain climb from Bedford to Fort Loudon. Fairly good roads were encountered from that point to Stoyestown, then more hills to McConnellsburg, and from there on into Harrisburg a succession of hills and muddy ruts.

All along the line the populace turned out to cheer the passing cars and at Shippensburg a triumphal arch had been erected bearing the words, "Hope you'll win." Repressentatives of the Motor Club of Harrisburg met the tourists at Carlisle and escorted them to the end of the day's run.

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